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International Court of Justice

Reichssicherheitshauptamt
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Berlin, den 12. April 1943

Geheim

Schnellbrief!

a) An
alle Staatspolizei(leit)stellen

Nachrichtlich

b) der Adjutantur des Chefs der Sicherheitspolizei und des SD
c) den Inspekteuren der Sicherheitspolizei und des SD
d) IV D, im Hause, - fünffach -

Betrifft: Benachrichtigung der Staatsanwaltschaft über Hinrichtungen durch die Geheime Staatspolizei.

Die Staatsanwaltschaft hat in wiederholten Fällen gegen eine Person, die bereits durch die Geheime Staatspolizei hingerichtet war, ein Verfahren eingeleitet, da ihr deren Ableben unbekannt war. Der Reichsführer-SS hat daher angeordnet, daß staatspolizeiliche Hinrichtungen zukünftig der örtlich zuständigen Staatsanwaltschaft bekanntzugeben sind. Die Mitteilung hat sich auf den Namen der betreffenden Person und die Tatsache ihrer Hinrichtung zu beschränken. Die Gründe für die Hinrichtung sind nicht mitzuteilen.

gez. Dr. K a l t e n b r u n n e r

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STAFF EVIDENCE ANALYSIS

DESCRIPTION OF ATTACHED DOCUMENT (Under following headings):

Title and Nature: Communication to the competent agencies, by RSHA, re: informing local State prosecutors' office of executions through the Gestapo.

Date: 12 April 1943; Original ( ); Copy (X); Language: German

LOCATION OF ORIGINAL (also WITNESS if applicable) as of 26 Jan. 1946:

Unknown. Photostatic copy in OCC files, Nurnberg.

SOURCE OF ORIGINAL: GMDS, Camp Ritchie, Md.

PERSONS OR ORGANIZATIONS IMPLICATED: Himmler. Kaltenbrunner, Mueller, Gestapo. SD. SS. RSHA

REFERENCES TO INDEX HEADING (Key to par. nos. of summary below):

ATROCITIES, against civilians. CONCENTRATION CAMPS. POLICE.

NECESSARY PROCESSING TO PUT IN EVIDENTIARY FORM; LEADS. Gluecks.

SUMMARY OF RELEVANT POINTS (with page references):

1. Himmler, through Kaltenbrunner who signed this letter, requests that in the future the Gestapo inform the local offices of the State Prosecutor of executions carried out by the Gestapo, so that the prosecutor won't bring forward charges against people already executed - which has happened several times.

Analyst: Mayer

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Office of State Police
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Express Letter.

To

a) All (Head) offices of the Stte Police

By way of information to -

b) the office of the adjutant to the chief of Security Police and SD.

c) the inspectors of the Security Police and SD.

d) IV D, in the building, - in quintuplicate -

Subject : Notification of the Public Prosecutor's office of executions carried out by the Gestapo.

The Public Prosecutor's office has in many instances instituted proceedingss against a person who had already been executed by the Gestapo, because they were unaware of his death. The Reichsfuehrer SS has therefore given orders that in future the competent local Public Prosecutor's office shall be no notified of executions carried out by the State Police. The advice notice should confine itself to giving the name of the person concerned and the fact that he has been executed. Reasons for the execution should not be given.

(signed): Dr. Kaltenbrunner

Certified

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Office employee.

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Stamp :

The Reichsfuehrer SS and
Chief of German Police
in the Reich Ministry
of the Interior.

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22. February 1946.

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Nürnberg, 20.8.48

Paul Joosten

PAUL A. JOOSTEN

General Secretary
International Military
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